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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I benefit from broadband competition (internet and a landline -- old school!) because I'm in range of a local company called Sonic. Otherwise I would be shelling out much more money to AT&T or one of their ilk (p.s. Sonic's customer service is MUCH better than AT&Ts).

Sonic was able to get its start by using AT&T's unbundled copper lines, and is now beginning to build its own network. I know that AT&T is trying to push the FCC to restrict access to these unbundled lines -- which would hurt Sonic and other startups, reduce competition, and increase prices. Thumbs down to that.

best,

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